

## **INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION**

### **Agenda**

October 8, 2004

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Monterey Marriott, San Carlos Ballroom 1

**Please Note:** The first hour of the meeting from 11 am – 12 pm will be for New Members and New Advisors to meet with the new Chair, Russell Kerr & Immediate Past Chair, Linnet Harlan. The regular Meeting will be from Noon - 3:00 p.m. for everyone. Lunch will be served at Noon.

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

#### **1. Introduction**

Introduction of incoming Officers, Members and Advisors. (20 minutes).

New Officers: Chair, Russell Kerr, Vice-chair, Peter Gelles, Treasurer, Paul Turner, Co-Secretaries, Babak Nikravesch & Ross Meador.

New Members: San San Lee, Ravi Mahalingham, John Garman, Karine Faure-Wenger & Alex Schlee.

New Advisors: Katie Zoglin, Jinshu Zhang & Brent Caslin.

#### **2. Minutes**

Discuss and approve Minutes of the teleconferences of September 4, 2004 and review Calendar of important dates. (10 minutes).

#### **3. Financial**

Treasurer's Report. Steven W. DeLateur (10 minutes).

#### **4. Standing Committees**

Overview for new members. (15 minutes)

Programs/Education (Peter), Publicity (Carol), Membership (TBA), Publications (Babak or Ravi, San San & Russ), Website (Donal), Career Day (Ross & Brian), Travel/Entertainment (TBA), Council of Bar Sections (Al).

#### **5. Publications**

##### ***Practitioner***

Babak Nikravesch & Ravi Mahalingham (5 minutes).

*Newsletter*

San San Lee (5 minutes).

*e-Brief*

Russ Kerr (5 minutes).

**6. Website**

Donal Hanley (5 minutes).

**7. Publicity**

Carol Brittain (10 minutes).

**8. Bay Area Roundtable Lunches**

Mark Katz (5 minutes)

**9. Rapid Text**

Peter Gelles (5 minutes)

**10. Career Days**

Ross Meador, Brian Krantz, Karine Faure-Wenger (5 minutes).

**11. China Delegation**

Bruce Boyd (5 minutes)

**12. Programs Report**

Doing Business in the Expanding EU

September 15, 2004, LA Center Studios

John Garman & Peter Gelles (10 minutes)

The Conference featured keynote and other Speakers from the international business and law worlds (live or by Satellite), including the Rt. Hon. Lord Mayor of London (a former member of one of London's "magic circle" City law firms), the EU Ambassador to the United States, prominent U.S. and EU lawyers, consular and trade commission officials from various EU countries, international business executives, etc.

The Conference will provide an overview of current EU law, practice and business opportunities in the expanding EU, and will include panels on EU law and practice, trade and investment in a number of differing EU countries, film and entertainment opportunities in the EU, and transatlantic litigation and ADR practice.

State Bar Annual Meeting Program

October 8, 2004, Monterey

Karine Faure-Wenger, San San and other Program Speakers (10 minutes)

We had 12 programs approved for presentations at the Annual Meeting, including:

- \* Building the Cross-Border Construction Contract
- \* Cross-Border Estate Planning
- \* Negotiating the Cross - Border Acquisition Agreement
- \* Cross- Border Labor and Employment Law, Including Immigration Issues
- \* Facing Up to Cultural Diversity: Becoming a More Effective Lawyer
- \* Dealing with Cross Cultural Drinking
- \* International Child Abduction
- \* Intellectual Property Rights Abroad: How to Obtain Maintain and Defend Them
- \* A Trillion Dollars a Day - The Law of Cross Border Wire Transfers and Electronic Payments
- \* Doing Business Across the Border, Down Mexico Way
- \* Cross Border Adoptions
- \* Finding and Collecting Assets in a Foreign Jurisdiction

#### Alien Tort Statute Litigation

October 28, 2004 (3pm to 5:30pm), UCLA School of Law

Peter Gelles (5 minutes)

This program will address the current status and scope of the ALIEN TORT STATUTE, which allows foreign plaintiffs to claim against U.S. defendants in U.S. Courts for torts committed outside the U.S. The program will feature *Paul Hoffman* and *Kristin Myles*, leading practitioners in the currently hot field of ATS litigation, as well as UCLA's *Professor Frances Olsen*, whose research interests include the ATS.

#### Winter Section Educational Institute (SEI)

January 28-30, 2005, Palace Hotel in San Francisco.

Peter Gelles (15 minutes)

The following five programs will be presented by the ILS:

- \* Ethics and Multi-Jurisdictional Practice Issues relating to Out of State Lawyers and Clients
- \* Alien Tort Statute Litigation—Current Status and Prospects
- \* Letters of Credit—A Primer for the General Practitioner
- \* Doing Business in Mexico—An Introductory Primer
- \* International Trade Law Issues for General Practitioners

#### International Law Weekend West 2005

February 4 and 5, 2005, Whittier Law School

Alan Kindred (5 minutes)

The American Branch of the International Law Association (an old, prestigious international law body) puts on a program every two years in Southern California on a variety of public and private international law topics, known as the International Law Weekend West. The program attracts some very high profile speakers from all over the country. Our Section has co-sponsored the ILW West since it began on a non-financial basis by putting promotional materials in section mailings, notices on the section's website.

**13. Council of Bar Sections**

Al Golbert (10 minutes).

**14. Transnational Legal Practice Issues**

Report on cross-border international legal issues.  
Bob Lutz and/or Russ Kerr (10 minutes).

**15. Retreat Planning**

Russ Kerr (10 minutes)

**16. New Business**

Monterey Institute of International Studies  
Linnet Harlan (5 minutes)

Formation of Liaison Committee  
Peter Gelles (5 minutes)

**17. Next Meeting - Retreat**

The Fall 2004 Retreat will be held November 13 (Sat.) and 14 (Sun.), 2004 at the Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave., Santa Monica, CA.

We will only reimburse one night's stay at the group, block rate of \$200 per night (this is very good for this hotel, these are normally \$375 per night)

RESERVATION INSTRUCTIONS: In order for attendees to make their guest room reservations all they need to do is call the hotel's main line at 310-458-6700 and ask for reservations. Once transferred they will be given the option to press "1" if they are making a reservation as part of a group and "2" if not. Once they press "1" they will be transferred to a reservations agent. Please ask your attendees to identify themselves as being part of the "State Bar of California" group on November 13th and they will receive the special rate of \$200.00. This rate will be honored (3) days before and after November 13th in case anyone would like to stay longer.

Guests have up to Friday, October 22nd, to make their reservations. Anyone calling in after this date will be given the special rate of \$200.00 based on availability

Saturday: Meeting Rooms reserved from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

Saturday evening: A dinner is planned. Spouses and guests are invited.

Sunday: Meeting rooms reserved from 9 am to noon.

